

Village of Roaming Shores

April 21, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jennie D'Amicone. Roll Call was taken and the following members were present : Bob Cook, Duane Helms, Ed Koziol, Gary Meighen and Chris Plickert. Also present was Solicitor Kyle Smith. Attending via telephone conference were Marlene Hocevar, Administrator Carl Reinke and Clerk-Treasurer Leeann Moses.

MINUTES TO THE PREVIOUS MEETING : A motion was made by Ed Koziol, seconded by Chris Plickert to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2020, meeting. The motion passed with all in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT : Clerk-Treasurer Leeann Moses distributed financial reports reflecting the income and expenses for the first quarter and comparing those to 2019. She explained the report and noted that it is quite possible the appropriations for the Sewer Revenue Fund could be depleted by the third quarter adding that the revenue for that fund needs to be increased.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS : *There were none at this time.*

MAYOR'S REPORT : The Mayor stated that the Governor's stay an home order has been taxing on all of us, but urged our residents to continue to follow it. In addition, the Governor has requested, but not required that all residents wear a face mask while in public. This is for your own protections as well as everyone around you. The Mayor has observed family gatherings, socializing and well as games at the basketball courts. We all must stay at home and observe the Governor's mandate. There is talk of reopening the State and the Mayor urged residents to continue to practice social distancing to stop the spread of this virus and not have a relapse in the number COVID-19 cases.

ROME ROCK ASSOCIATION LIASON : *Nothing to report at this time.*

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT : Police Chief Roskos distributed and spoke regarding information contained in his monthly report which reflected the number of hours worked/covered, calls and arrests for the month of March. The Chief has received several complaints on speeding delivery trucks and will notify the respective companies. Chief Roskos asked that Council consider the information he provided on the tiered step salary for part-time officers. Chris Plickert asked that the proposal be sent to the personnel committee for review.

COMMITTEE REPORTS : *Planning, Personnel, Safety/SCAD, Roads, Community Development and Records* all had nothing to add at this time. Meeting were scheduled later in the meeting as followed on Tuesday, April 28th : Utility – 10:30 AM, Finance 1:00, Dam 4:00 Personnel at 6:00 PM.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT : Administrator Reinke stated that when Utility Superintendent was interviewed it was agreed to grant him 2 weeks' vacation immediately, however that was omitted in the Ordinance passed when he was hired. For some reason the number of wipes clogging up the lift station has dramatically decreased. The lawn mowing bids were distributed to 5 landscapers and the bids will be opened up on Monday. Chris Plickert added that he would like to have the *Road Committee review the bids.*

OLD BUSINESS : *No discussion on the Review and Amend Subdivision/Planning Code nor Bow hunting of deer at this time.* (2) Duane Helms suggested that perhaps the breakdown of water sewer bills be changed to increase revenue in the Sewer Fund. (3) Chris Plickert would like to see the water/sewer AFU charges changed to only sewer, not water. (4) Bob Cook asked why the Village isn't contacting the state (Ohio Rural Water Authority) for their help in a rate study, this needs to be done and should be free for those municipalities with population under 10,000. The Mayor asked the Administrator to contact Ohio Rural Water Authority to see what services are available for our village. Ed Koziol noted the breakdown on the water/sewer bill is, 40% is water and 60% is sewer, with our expenses being 20% water and 80% sewer.

ANY OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS : Discussion on the *Zoom* meeting format followed. Chris Plickert would like to use *Zoom* for the Personnel meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 28th at 6:00 PM. (2) Chris Plickert made a motion, seconded by Bob Cook, to look into refinancing the Village Hall and also include the money which must be repaid to the Street Contruction and Maintenance Fund from the General Fund. The motion passed with all in favor.

VISITOR’S COMMENTS : *Kathy Christoph* noted that she did a lot of research into the water/sewer revenue and asked Council to listen to Leeann and Carl and find a way to increase revenue by either raising the rates or a levy. If the water operations levy was renewed and not allowed to expire the water fund would be doing ok. The bottom line is that the Utility needs more income.

Ed Koziol made a motion, seconded by Chris Plickert to enter into Executive Session to discuss the hiring, firing, discipline of a public employee. The motion passed with all in favor.

A motion was made to adjourn the Executive Session and enter into Regular Session. The motion passed with all in favor.

A motion was made by Duane Helms, seconded by Ed Koziol, asking the Solicitor to prepare an Ordinance amending Ordinance 753-12-19 to include two weeks vacation for Utility Superintendent Raymond Nevison. The motion passed with all in favor.

ADJOURNMENT : A motion was made by Bob Cook, seconded by Gary Meighen, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed with all in favor.

MAYOR

CLERK-TREASURER

SEAL